

Group Memory  
CTPAC  
June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009 – Sacramento

**Next Meeting dates**

September 23, 2009 – So. Cal

January 12, 2010 – No. Cal

April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010 – So. Cal

July 21, 2010 – No. Cal

Oct. 20, 2010 – So. Cal

**Bin List & Great Ideas**

**Group Decisions**

*All decisions made will be double underlined in the body of the notes below.*

1. (Date)

**1Upshot**

These are the assignments made at the meeting. As new ones are added they will be appended to the list. As assignments are completed they will be lined out with a ~~strike through~~, but left on the list until the next meeting. This will provide a running record of assignments made at these meetings.

From July 2006 meeting

From January 2007 meeting

117	Anthony	Take the Trunion / Tridem issue to WASHTO in COLORADO??) San Diego. Send information to Eric for distribution.	<del>4/xx/07</del> <del>08/14/07</del> <del>oct 1 &amp; 2, 2007</del> hold
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From August 20, 2007 meeting

126	<del>Bob</del> <del>Hartman</del> Hani Romani	Work with Bob S. Look at the manual on the web site to ensure that it is valid and reflects the state of the program and understandings between industry and Caltrans. (see discussion notes outline # 3)	<del>1/08/08</del> April meeting On-going.
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From April 24, 2008 meeting

140	Hani-Kien	Tridem: Group would like a response to equally dividing the load. Does load need to be exactly equal or can it be 5 or 10% off? Caltrans needs to look at this from administrative point of view. (see discussion notes outline # 9)	June 1, 2008 10/1/08 <del>Next mtg date</del> 5/15/09 9/23/09

From August 7, 2008 meeting

144	All	From here on out if you cannot make a due date, need to provide a written reason why the date is going to be missed. Send the notes to Eric S. 30 days ahead of meeting date.	Ongoing -
146	Hani-Kien	<del>Caltrans needs to implement the already approved proposal for ten foot four inch axle spread... (see discussion notes outline # 8)</del> <del>Have a plan. (added December 10, 2008)</del>	10/1/08 1/15/09 6/17/09
147	Vaughn Greg D	Take issue to Tridem work group. Tow trucks that are overweight by design need permits for purple weight. They are within chart weight.	10/15/08 <del>Next mtg</del> 6/17/09 9/23/09

From December 10, 2008 meeting

151	Hani-Kien	<del>will revisit inspection process, and report back at the next meeting. Request permit to move from state line to owner's yard, single trip permit? (see discussion notes outline # 7)</del>  <del>Greg will bring this up with the workgroup at a conference call. (added March 19, 2009)</del>	Next meeting 6/17/09
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From March 19, 2009 meeting

152	Kien	Look into the limitations of the STARS system - - can we leave a blank field for alpha numeric? Respond back to Rick Talk to Larry and Steve. CT IT (added June 17, 2009)	4/2/09 9/23/09
153a	Leon	<del>We will have an unladen dual lane proposal to not need review by structures before next meeting. (see discussion notes outline # 8)</del>	6/17/09
153b	Leon	<del>Minimum—maximum dimensions and related tolerances proposal to be submitted prior to next meeting. (see discussion notes outline # 8)</del>	6/17/09
154	Bob S	Put proposal into the mix with the manuals work group: New Generation Wide Base Single tires operating in the Extralegal weight permit program, with acceptable dimensions.	6/17/09
155	Bob S	<del>send in new information to James on "exceed tire load limits authorized by FHWA through the guidelines of the Tire and Rim Association Handbook." (check with James.)</del> <del>What are other states doing? (Added June 17, 2009)</del>	4/2/09 9/23/09

156	Industry/ Rick Hill	Provide input on priority for bridge strengthening upgrade.	4/16/09 7/1/09
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157	James Anderson.	Monitor and report back next meeting on bounced checks for annuals.	9/23 meeting

**Critique from March 19, 2009 meeting:**

What went well	What Needs Improvement
Lively discussion Good attendance	<del>Northern Division CHP not here.</del> No lunch No jokes from Mike

What went well	What Needs Improvement
Corrected the food issue. CT participation. Jokes got better and less. Kept the meeting moving. Nice facility. Work groups were productive. 2 proposals adopted.	Start a half hour later in the morning. 8:30 or 9:00? Start afternoon meeting at noon. End by 2.

**Critique from June 17, 2009 meeting:**

Caltrans Transportation Permits Advisory Council (CT PAC)

**Purpose:**

The purpose of the Caltrans Transportation Permit Advisory Council (CTPAC) is to provide a forum for government and industry viewpoints on State transportation permitting policies and procedures. Both Caltrans and industry believe that this is an effective way of understanding and improving the permit process. CTPAC representatives use council and steering committee meetings to update their members on changes and help resolve permit related issues. (discussed and reviewed on January 8, 2008)

Ground rules:

Begin and end on time

No side conversation

Pagers and cell phones to stun.

Raise your hand when you want to talk;

Speak up; silence is consent.

1	12:30	Welcome, purpose of today's meeting, schedule review, introductions Sauer and Anderson.	Introduce Steering Committee Members.
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Opening discussion:

Interest based bargaining

Focus on finding common ground.

Many times positions are in conflict even when the interests are held in common.

History file for every proposal. Chron file.

Shared responsibility to keep the file up to date

Document what the status of the issue is.

The lead of each work group needs to contribute to the chron. History File effort.

Separate Chron File for each issue/proposal.

The work group chair needs to monitor the chron file, and identify any miscommunications to Caltrans.

~~Ground rules~~ – Suggestions for success

These are “Suggestions for successful meeting.” The more we follow them the more likely we will have a productive meeting.

Everyone behaves in a professional way – focus on the issues, not the personalities.

Define the important words.

Both sides: Ask yourself “What do I need to know to better understand their point of view?”

Agree to disagree.

Industry Perspective

Maintain a professional demeanor at all times.

Need to brief the work group industry members on the reasons for doing business with Caltrans.

Use interest-based problem solving.

Caltrans perspective

Maintain a professional demeanor at all times.

Seek to understand the concerns of industry members; clarify their interests.

Use interest-based problem solving.

2	12:35	Public Comments–  Industry and Caltrans opening comments.	
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Opening comments

Two proposals to CT were approved since the last meeting.

CT is monitoring the volume of bounced checks for permits from carriers. May change issuance policy for annuals; may require cashiers’ checks.

Caltrans has a problem, hopes this takes care of itself.

Consider allowing credit cards.

Caltrans should prepare a letter to CTA from CT on the bounced checks for annual permit fees issue.

Outcome:

Informally disseminate this information to the industry.

Monitor and report back next meeting on bounced checks for annuals. (see upshot # 157) .

3	12:40	<del>Charter Review and Upshot status-</del>	What is the status of the items on the upshot list?
4	12:45	Crane Group /Alvin Mangalindan(3 MIN REPORT, THEN DISCUSSION)	What is the status of the workgroup and what are the next steps?

Crane Group /Alvin Mangalindan.

Alvin now a daddy.

Proposal for 60,000 pound tridem for cranes has been submitted.

5	12:55	Annuals / Matt Klenske Pilot Car Maps Update (Kien Le)	What is the status of the workgroup and what are the next steps?
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Annuals / Matt Klenske

Working on 7,8,9 axle annuals. Need to tie these into WIM scales.

Pre-pass has hooked us up with Zonar –

Now working with Stanley N. They do information recovery. Hoping to get a demonstration from him on the technology.

Working with Infotek who already has a product – a frame mounted tag that identifies the truck, provides information on the vehicle. Will be looking at what information Caltrans would like.

Will be setting up a meeting with Infotek and CT on the monitoring system.

Pilot Car Update

The maps have been updated; new maps have been issued since February.

6	1:05	Tridem / Leon Franks, Doug Murray	What is the status of the workgroup and what are the next steps?
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Tridem

Waiting on proposals. Two were submitted in July of 2007.

7	1:15	Variance - - CHP Escort / Leon Franks	What is the status of the workgroup and where do we go from here?
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Variance - - CHP Escort / Leon Franks.

The drawing has been sent back to us from CT. This is the min-max drawing. (See Kien for details.) It has been sent out to industry for their review and input. Report will be made at next meeting.

8	1:25	Fixed Loads WG Greg Dineen	What is the status of the workgroup and where do we go from here?
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Fixed Loads WG

Discussed purple weight to legal weight policy. Current policy does not allow for this. We need a response back from Caltrans on this.

Tridem trailer inspections: Min-max weight is a dead issue.

Inspector availability – dead issue

Verbal approval may be given on a case by case basis (for vehicle inspection), based on past experience on the particular piece of equipment under consideration. Vehicle will still require inspection in the yard when it is possible to make the inspector available. -

Status of Development of Transportation Permits Manual – Chapter 3 / Bob Shepard, Robert Orozco

Industry has reviewed and identified pertinent changes to chapters 1-5. Industry has agreed to come up with an

outline for chapters 1 through 5 that best fits the manual for review.

~~We will submit to CT with the understanding that pertinent outlines will be filled with permit requirements as the next step... data will be inserted as appropriate.~~

Caltrans will review the outline submitted.

Industry will continue to interact with CT to get agreement on the outline. Once this is set, the manual outline can be fleshed out.

9	1:35	Status of Development of Transportation Permits Manual – Chapter 3 / Bob Shepard, Robert Orozco	Is the Industry still involved in rewriting the Transportation Permit Manual. There seem to be no action on this subject. As an Agenda Item please provide an open discussion on this topic.  What's been completed? What's the plan of action? How do we include industry review in the process?
10	1:45	New Business and New Proposals? 60,000 pounds per crane on a tridem group -	Do any new topics need to be discussed, or assigned to a workgroup for further exploration?  Any proposals from the floor?

New Business and New Proposals?

Bonus purple weights for tridem groups on four or five axle crane– (Tab 6 in the agenda)

This will be moved to the Crane work group.

Michelin – report on super singles/96” width requirement.

Michelin has taken this up – EPA Smart WAY Program has been adopted. Will be adopted in 2011, mandating all fleets will have to operate with smart way (low-rolling resistance tires) approved tires. (check??) This is a greenhouse gas reduction issue.

This is a CARB regulation. The final language is due any time now.

Customer service

Better in North Region – more helpful, they call you and assist you more so than the South Region.

ATPS

STARS uses Access 97 data base which Microsoft does not support any longer.

New ATPS system is going to address the problems of STARS. Feasibility Study Report is due out this month.

Funding will need to be made available when the FSR is approved – this is an executive decision.

11	1:50	Transportation Permits service feedback – How are we doing at CT?	Discussion and information gathering.
12	2:10	ATPS (Formerly TPMS) Update – James Anderson-	Five minute update, schedule review
13	2:20	Review action items, next meeting date, time and place.	
14	2:30	Adjourn / Sauer and Anderson	